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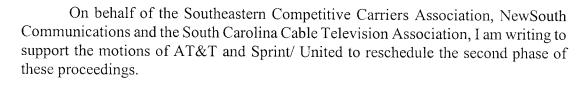
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Re:

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

Section 271 Application Docket No. 2001-209-C

Dear Mr. Walsh:



This Commission has appropriately asked the parties to address issues arising from third party testing in Georgia and Florida because BellSouth relies upon its performance in other states and testing conducted in those other states to support its South Carolina application. The testimony which this Commission has asked for would certainly be better informed and more helpful if the testing in the other states was completed. Accordingly, the rescheduling requested by AT&T and Sprint/United should be granted.

Sincerely,

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